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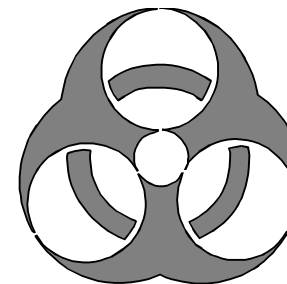
Continuing education credits will be offered for laboratorians based on 3.0 hours of instruction.

SPECIAL NEEDS

In compliance with Americans With Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations should notify the NLTN Western Office (303-692-3283) at least two weeks prior to the workshop.

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Bioterrorism Preparedness for the Clinical Laboratory



**July 11, Colorado Springs
July 13, Ft. Collins
August 2, Grand Junction**

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**National Laboratory Training
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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The possibility of a bioterrorism attack is being taken seriously by healthcare and public health professionals throughout the country. What is biological terrorism? How can it be detected? How does the current healthcare system respond to a bioterrorism event? What would you do if a suspicious organism was sent to your laboratory? This program will investigate these issues and help your laboratory prepare for a response. The most likely agents of a biological threat will be described including identification methods and safety issues.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Following this course, participants should be able to:

- ▶ List the microbiological and clinical characteristics of bioterrorism agents
- ▶ Define the level of microbiological identification recommended for your laboratory
- ▶ Describe how to handle suspicious samples
- ▶ Discuss the components of a bioterrorism response.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This program will be of interest to laboratorians, public health professionals, emergency responders and healthcare professionals concerned about bioterrorism issues.

AGENDA

12:30 pm Registration

1:00 - 4:00 pm

- Laboratory Response Network for Bioterrorism
- Potential Bioterrorism Agents
- Rapid Identification
- Packaging and Shipping Infectious Agents
- Creating a Bioterrorism Response Plan

There will be a 10 minute break.

SPEAKER

James Beebe, Ph.D.

Dr. Jim Beebe is the Program Manager for Microbiology and Newborn Screening at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Laboratory and Radiation Services. Dr. Beebe obtained his B.A. and M.S. from Seton Hall University and his Ph.D. in Microbiology, from Rutgers University. He is widely published and has served as faculty for a number of universities and organizations. Dr. Beebe is certified as a Diplomate of the American Board of Medical and Public Health Microbiology.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

On-line at: <http://www.aphl.org/nltm/registration.htm>

Mail or Fax to:

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303-692-3283 or 800-536-6586

MEETING LOCATIONS

Please check the location you wish to attend on the registration form.

Tuesday, July 11, Colorado Springs, CO

Penrose Hospital Cancer Center
Conference Room B & C
2215 N. Cascade

Thursday, July 13, Ft. Collins, CO

Poudre Valley Hospital
Cafe Meeting Room A
1024 Lemay Avenue

Wednesday, Aug. 2, Grand Junction, CO

St. Mary's Hospital and Medical Center
Saccomanno Conference Room A
2635 N. 7th Street

